

REMARKS

Claims 2, 4, 5 and 7-11 are pending. Claims 1, 3, 6 and 12-14 have been cancelled.

Claim 4 has been amended to recite the subject matter of canceled claim 14, i.e., to recite that the multifunctional low-molecular compound (K) is halogenated silane, glycerin, pentaerythritol, D-glucitol, quercitol, inositol, or hexahydroxybenzene.

No new matter has been added by way of the above-amendment.

Prior Art Based Issues

Claims 4, 5 and 8-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Roha et al. (CAPLUS AN 1961:79,666 1961) or actual article Roha, M.; Kreider, L.C.; Frederick, M.R.; Beears, W.L. CS B.F. Goodrich Research Center, Brecksville, OH Journal of Polymer Science (1959), 38, 51-61.¹ Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Without conceding that the rejection is proper, but rather in order to advance prosecution, Applicants have amended independent claim 4 to recite the subject matter of claim 14, a claim not currently under rejection. As such, this rejection is rendered moot.

Claim Objections

Applicants note with appreciation that the Examiner indicated that claim 14 is free of the art.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance.

¹ During a telephone conversation on January 4, 2010 between the Examiner and Applicants' representative, Garth M. Dahlen, Ph.D., Esq. (#43575), Examiner Mullis clarified that Cossee (Stereoregularity in heterogeneous Ziegler-Natta catalysis, Koninklijke/Shell Lab., Amsterdam, Transactions of the Faraday Society (1962), 58, 1226-32) is not cited as part of the rejection.


In view of the above amendment, Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Garth M. Dahlen, PhD, Registration No. 43575 at the telephone number of the undersigned below to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Director is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge any fees required during the pendency of the above-identified application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

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Respectfully submitted,

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